Kramer Electronics, Ltd.



USER MANUAL

Model:

VA-256D

Digital Audio Delay

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This addendum adds the following information to the user manual:



Caution – No operator-serviceable parts inside unit.

Warning – Use only the Kramer Electronics input power wall adapter that is provided with this unit¹.

Warning – Disconnect power and unplug unit from wall before installing or removing device or servicing unit.

¹ For example: model number AD2512C, part number 2535-000251



1 Introduction

Welcome to Kramer Electronics (since 1981): a world of unique, creative and affordable solutions to the infinite range of problems that confront the video, audio and presentation professional on a daily basis. In recent years, we have redesigned and upgraded most of our line, making the best even better! Our 350-plus different models now appear in 8 Groups¹, which are clearly defined by function.

Congratulations on purchasing your VA-256D, which is ideal for audio/video broadcasting and production studios.

The package includes the following items:

- VA-256D Digital Audio Delay
- Power adapter (12V DC Input)
- This user manual²

Getting Started 2

We recommend that you:

- Unpack the equipment carefully and save the original box and packaging materials for possible future shipment
- Review the contents of this user manual
- Use Kramer high performance high resolution cables³

³ The complete list of Kramer cables is on our Web site at http://www.kramerelectronics.com



¹ GROUP 1: Distribution Amplifiers; GROUP 2: Video and Audio Switchers, Matrix Switchers and Controllers; GROUP 3: Video, Audio, VGA/XGA Processors; GROUP 4: Interfaces and Sync Processors; GROUP 5: Twisted Pair Interfaces; GROUP 6: Accessories and Rack Adapters; GROUP 7: Scan Converters and Scalers; and GROUP 8: Cables and Connectors

² Download up-to-date Kramer user manuals from the Internet at this URL: http://www.kramerelectronics.com

3 Overview

The Kramer **VA-256D** is a digital delay line that can be used as a coax-to-optical or optical-to-coax converter, as a coax or optical repeater, and as an audio delay line.

The high-performance **VA-256D**:

- Lets you adjust for lip sync errors so that the audio delay will match the video delay¹
- Provides a user-programmable delay of the audio signal
- Is EIAJ CP1201, IEC-60958, AES3, S/PDIF compatible and supports 32kHz to 96kHz sample frequency range
- Is fully transparent to the digital stream, making it ideal for the most demanding audio applications including home cinema and professional audio applications (such as PCM, Dolby Digital, DTS, AES and so on)
- Is 12VDC fed and is housed in a DigiTOOLS enclosure

Achieving the best performance means:

- Connecting only good quality connection cables, thus avoiding interference, deterioration in signal quality due to poor matching, and elevated noise levels (often associated with low quality cables)
- Avoiding interference that may adversely influence signal quality and positioning the VA-256D away from moisture, excessive sunlight and dust

4 Your VA-256D Digital Audio Delay

Figure 1 and Table 1 define the VA-256D Digital Audio Delay:

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¹ An example of a TV broadcasting lip sync error is when the sound is heard before the speaker's lips move

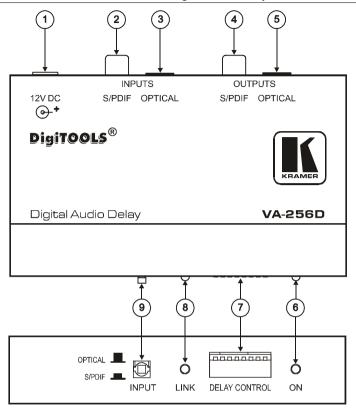


Figure 1: VA-256D Digital Audio Delay

Table 1: Features and Functions of the VA-256D Digital Audio Delay

| # | | Feature | Function | | | | | |
|---|---------------------------|----------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| 1 | 12V D | OC . | +12V DC connector for powering the unit | | | | | |
| 2 | INPUTS | S/PDIF RCA Connector | Connect to the digital audio source | | | | | |
| 3 | INP | OPTICAL Connector | Connect to the digital audio source | | | | | |
| 4 | OUTPUTS | S/PDIF | Connect to the digital audio acceptor | | | | | |
| 5 | TUO | OPTICAL | Connect to the digital audio acceptor | | | | | |
| 6 | ON LED | | Illuminates when receiving power | | | | | |
| 7 | DELAY CONTROL Dipswitches | | Dipswitches for setup of the delay time ¹ | | | | | |
| 8 | LINK | LED | Illuminates when the audio is locked | | | | | |
| 9 | INPU | T Button | Push in to select the S/PDIF source, release to select the OPTICAL source link | | | | | |

¹ Ranging from 0 to 682 milliseconds in increments of 2.6 milliseconds (see section 5.1)



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5 Using the VA-256D Digital Audio Delay

To adjust a lip sync error when using a scaler, use the **VA-256D**, as the example in Figure 2 illustrates:

- Connect the audio outputs of the DVD players to the S/PDIF and/or OPTICAL INPUTS on the VA-256D.
- 2. Connect the S/PDIF and/or OPTICAL OUTPUTS on the VA-256D to the audio input on the audio receiver (for example an AV receiver).
- 3. Connect the 12V DC power adapter to the power socket and connect the adapter to the mains electricity.
- 4. Set the Delay Control dipswitches, as section 5.1 describes.
- 5. Push in the INPUT button (item 9 in Figure 1) to select to select the S/PDIF source, release it to select the optical source¹.

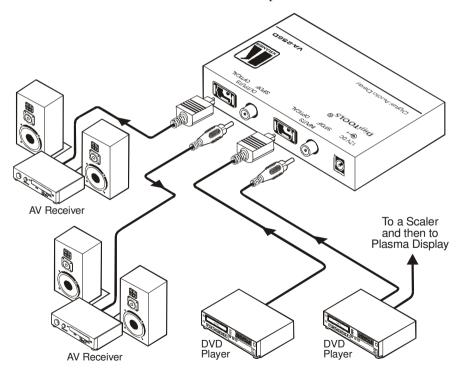


Figure 2: Connecting the VA-256D Digital Audio Delay

¹ Both outputs are available

5.1 Setting the Delay Control Dipswitches

By default, the **VA-256D** dipswitches are set to ON. Set the delay time, according to the sample rate¹, using the Delay Control dipswitches, as Table 2 defines.

Table 2: Setting the Delay Control Time using the Delay Control Dipswitches

| msec | | | | DIP | | | | | | | D . | | |
|-----------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------------|------|-----------------|
| 32 kHz | 44.1 kHz | 48 kHz | 96 kHz | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | Step | Binary Value |
| 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ON | 0 | 0 |
| 3.9 | 2.8 | 2.6 | 1.3 | ON | OFF | 1 | 1 |
| 8 | 5.7 | 5.3 | 2/6 | ON | ON | ON | ON | ON | ON | OFF | ON | 2 | 10 |
| 12 | 8.7 | 8 | 4 | ON | ON | ON | ON | ON | ON | OFF | OFF | 3 | 11 |
| 16 | 11.6 | 10.7 | 5.3 | ON | ON | ON | ON | ON | OFF | ON | ON | 4 | 100 |
| 20.1 | 14.6 | 13.4 | 6.7 | ON | ON | ON | ON | ON | OFF | ON | OFF | 5 | 101 |
| 22.4 | 17.4 | 16 | 8 | ON | ON | ON | ON | ON | OFF | OFF | ON | 6 | 110 |
| 28 | 20.3 | 18.7 | 9.3 | ON | ON | ON | ON | ON | OFF | OFF | OFF | 7 | 111 |
| 32.1 | 23.3 | 21.4 | 10.7 | ON | ON | ON | ON | OFF | ON | ON | ON | 8 | 1000 |
| 36 | 26.1 | 24 | 12 | ON | ON | ON | ON | OFF | ON | ON | OFF | 9 | 1001 |
| 40 | 29 | 26.7 | 13.3 | ON | ON | ON | ON | OFF | ON | OFF | ON | 10 | 1010 |
| 60 | 43.5 | 40 | 20 | ON | ON | ON | ON | OFF | OFF | OFF | OFF | 15 | 1111 |
| 80.2 | 58.2 | 53.5 | 26.7 | ON | ON | ON | OFF | ON | OFF | ON | ON | 20 | 10100 |
| 100 | 73 | 67 | 33.5 | ON | ON | ON | OFF | OFF | ON | ON | OFF | 25 | 11001 |
| 140 | 102 | 93.6 | 46.8 | ON | ON | OFF | ON | ON | ON | OFF | OFF | 35 | 100011 |
| 180 | 131 | 120 | 60 | ON | ON | OFF | ON | OFF | OFF | ON | OFF | 45 | 101101 |
| 220 | 160 | 147 | 73.5 | ON | ON | OFF | OFF | ON | OFF | OFF | OFF | 55 | 110111 |
| 301 | 219 | 201 | 100 | ON | OFF | ON | ON | OFF | ON | OFF | OFF | 75 | 1001011 |
| 400 | 291 | 267 | 133 | ON | OFF | OFF | ON | ON | OFF | ON | ON | 100 | 1100100 |
| 501 | 363 | 334 | 167 | ON | OFF | OFF | OFF | OFF | OFF | ON | OFF | 125 | 1111101 |
| 601 | 436 | 401 | 200 | OFF | ON | ON | OFF | ON | OFF | OFF | ON | 150 | 10010110 |
| 702 | 509 | 468 | 234 | OFF | ON | OFF | ON | OFF | OFF | OFF | OFF | 175 | 10101111 |
| 802 | 582 | 535 | 267 | OFF | OFF | ON | ON | OFF | ON | ON | ON | 200 | 11001000 |
| 903 | 655 | 602 | 301 | OFF | OFF | OFF | ON | ON | ON | ON | OFF | 225 | 11100001 |
| 1003 | 728 | 669 | 334 | OFF | OFF | OFF | OFF | OFF | ON | OFF | ON | 250 | 11111010 |
| 1023 | 742 | 682 | 341 | OFF | 255 | 11111111 |

^{1 32}kHz, 44.1kHz, 48kHz or 96kHz



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6 Technical Specifications

Table 3 includes the technical specifications:

Table 3: Technical Specifications of the VA-256D Digital Audio Delay

| INPUTS: | 1 S/PDIF input on an RCA connector; 1 Toslink optical connector |
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| OUTPUTS: | 1 S/PDIF output on an RCA connector; 1 Toslink optical connector |
| AUDIO SIGNAL COMPATIBILITY: | Digital Audio (S/PDIF): All current broadcast/DVD standards, including Dolby Digital, EX, DTS, ES and PCM Audio sample rates of 32kHz, 44.1kHz, 48kHz (standard DVD) and 96kHz (DTS 96/24) |
| AUDIO DELAY CAPABILITIES (DIPSWITCH SETTINGS): | 0-999ms for 32kHz sample rate signals 0-740ms for 44.1kHz sample rate signals 0-680ms for 48kHz sample rate signals 0-340ms for 96kHz sample rate signals |
| POWER SOURCE: | 12V DC, 300mA |
| DIMENSIONS: | 12 cm x 7.5 cm x 2.5 cm (4.7" x 2.95" 0.98", W, D, H) |
| WEIGHT: | 0.3 kg (0.67 lbs.) approx. |
| ACCESSORIES: | Power adapter, mounting bracket |
| OPTIONS: | 19" rack adapters: RK-T1, RK-T3 |

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¹ Specifications are subject to change without notice

LIMITED WARRANTY

Kramer Electronics (hereafter Kramer) warrants this product free from defects in material and workmanship under the following terms

HOW LONG IS THE WARRANTY

Labor and parts are warranted for three years from the date of the first customer purchase.

WHO IS PROTECTED?

Only the first purchase customer may enforce this warranty.

WHAT IS COVERED AND WHAT IS NOT COVERED

Except as below, this warranty covers all defects in material or workmanship in this product. The following are not covered by the warranty:

- Any product which is not distributed by Kramer, or which is not purchased from an authorized Kramer dealer. If you are uncertain as to whether a dealer is authorized, please contact Kramer at one of the agents listed in the Web site www.kramerelectronics.com.
- 2 Any product, on which the serial number has been defaced, modified or removed.
- Damage, deterioration or malfunction resulting from:
 - Accident, misuse, abuse, neglect, fire, water, lightning or other acts of nature
 - Product modification, or failure to follow instructions supplied with the product ii)
 - Repair or attempted repair by anyone not authorized by Kramer iii)
 - iv) Any shipment of the product (claims must be presented to the carrier)
 - Removal or installation of the product v)
 - Any other cause, which does not relate to a product defect vi)
 - Cartons, equipment enclosures, cables or accessories used in conjunction with the product

WHAT WE WILL PAY FOR AND WHAT WE WILL NOT PAY FOR

We will pay labor and material expenses for covered items. We will not pay for the following:

- 1 Removal or installations charges.
- Costs of initial technical adjustments (set-up), including adjustment of user controls or programming. These costs are the responsibility of the Kramer dealer from whom the product was purchased.
- 3 Shipping charges.

HOW YOU CAN GET WARRANTY SERVICE

- To obtain service on you product, you must take or ship it prepaid to any authorized Kramer service center.
- Whenever warranty service is required, the original dated invoice (or a copy) must be presented as proof of warranty coverage, 2. and should be included in any shipment of the product. Please also include in any mailing a contact name, company, address, and a description of the problem(s).
- 3 For the name of the nearest Kramer authorized service center, consult your authorized dealer.

LIMITATION OF IMPLIED WARRANTIES

All implied warranties, including warranties of merchantability and fitness for a particular purpose, are limited in duration to the length of this warranty.

EXCLUSION OF DAMAGES

The liability of Kramer for any effective products is limited to the repair or replacement of the product at our option. Kramer shall not be liable for:

- Damage to other property caused by defects in this product, damages based upon inconvenience, loss of use of the product, loss of time, commercial loss; or:
- Any other damages, whether incidental, consequential or otherwise. Some countries may not allow limitations on how long an implied warranty lasts and/or do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitations and exclusions may not apply to you.

This warranty gives you specific legal rights, and you may also have other rights, which vary from place to place.

NOTE: All products returned to Kramer for service must have prior approval. This may be obtained from your dealer.

This equipment has been tested to determine compliance with the requirements of:

EN-50081: "Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC);

generic emission standard.

Part 1: Residential, commercial and light industry"

"Electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) generic immunity standard.

Part 1: Residential, commercial and light industry environment". CFR-47:

FCC Rules and Regulations:

Part 15: "Radio frequency devices Subpart B - Unintentional radiators"

CAUTION!

EN-50082:

- Servicing the machines can only be done by an authorized Kramer technician. Any user who makes changes or modifications to the unit without the expressed approval of the manufacturer will void user authority to operate the equipment.
- Use the supplied DC power supply to feed power to the machine.





For the latest information on our products and a list of Kramer distributors, visit our Web site: www.kramerelectronics.com, where updates to this user manual may be found.

We welcome your questions, comments and feedback.



Safety Warning:

Disconnect the unit from the power supply before opening/servicing.





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